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Examiner

Edan Orgad

Applicant(s)

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 8/3/04.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-16.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 02 June 1999 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
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7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

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of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____. |

DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-16 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Regarding claim 1, the prior art of record, specifically Auger et al (US Patent # 6,094,425) teaches a method for frequency-time sliced resource allocation in a wireless ATM network (col. 4, lines 17-67) where receiving on a wireless signaling channel a request for access to a shared frequency-time sliced wireless medium (col. 3, lines 34-42), searching a channel matrix for a set of available frequency-time slots (col. 4, lines 60-67), wherein the channel matrix represents a time frame within the shared frequency-time sliced wireless medium and allocating the set of available time-slots if the allocation does not violate a frequency switching constraint (col. 4, lines 50-67, and col. 6, lines 35-55), and if the set of available frequency-time slots contains a number of slots no smaller than a requested number of slots (col. 3, lines 34-60, and col. 6, lines 38-40). More specifically, Auger teaches a decentralized technique of resource allocation where an access control is implemented per station. Or a solution decentralizes the management of mobile devices which traditionally is handled by centralized management devices or one of the base stations.

However, Auger fails to specifically disclose port controller configured to implement a reservation-based resource allocation method for a multi-tier wireless ATM network. In other words, according to Auger, there is not an intelligent radio port controller that centrally manages a shared medium in a multi-tier wireless ATM network. More specifically, neither Auger alone or in combination with other prior art disclose a

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centralized port controller that implements a reservation-based media access control and resource allocation method for a multi-tier wireless ATM network where the intelligence of the network is in the implementation of the radio port controllers and the switching hardware and each radio port controller manages resource allocation of a shared media and allows for ongoing reservations to be made. In other words, a wireless device requesting access to a shared media can reserve the resource over a long period of time without having to repeat the request.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Edan Orgad whose telephone number is 703-305-4223. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00AM to 5:30PM with every other Friday off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Edan Orgad can be reached on 703-305-4223. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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